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SUBJECT: REGIONAL E/C OFFICERS' MEETING SINGAPORE

REF: A) STATE 40614 B) STATE 36557 C) HONG KONG 2144

1. WITH REFERENCE TO DAVIES SPEECH, WE SHARE HONG KONG'S HOPES THAT MOJEST HONORARIUM CAN BE PAID. DEPT WAS NOT INFOED ON INITIAL TRAFFIC INQUIRING IF DAVIES MIGHT BE AVAILABLE, AND IT NOW APPEARS WE MISSPOKE IN TELLING HONG KONG DATE OF DAVIES SPEECH WOULD BE MARCH 1. ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE REF B, CORRECT DATE SHOULD HAVE BEEN FEB. 28. WILL SWAPPING PROGRAMS FOR LUNCH THOSE TWO DAYS CAUSE ANY PROBLEMS?

2. EMBASSY HAS ARRANGED WITH FOUR RESTAURANTS FOR LUNCHEONS AND DINNER (WE ASSUME REF A CANCELLATION OF EVENING EVENTS OBVIATES NEED TO ARRANGE WORKING COCKTAIL). LUNCHEON FEB. 27 WILL BE HELD AT LA TAVERNA RESTAURANT, ONE AND ONE-HALF BLOCKS FROM MANDARIN. SET LUNCH WILL INCLUDE ANTIPASTO AND LASAGNE...OPEN CASH BAR...ENTIRE  
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RESTAURANT RESERVED. COST WILL BE \$16 PER PERSON. (US\$1 EQUALS ABOUT \$2.30.) LUNCH NEXT DAY WILL BE AT HAN DO KOREAN RESTAURANT, ABOUT A BLOCK FROM MANDARIN. FARE IS KOREAN AND COST IS \$15 PER PERSON; AGAIN, THERE WILL BE A CASH BAR. THIRD DAY'S LUNCH WILL BE SMALL FILET STEAK AT JACK'S PLACE, ACROSS STREET FROM MANDARIN; \$10 PER PERSON, CASH BAR. WRAP-UP DINNER WEDNESDAY WILL

BE MULTI-COURSE CHINESE MEAL AT EASTERN PALACE RESTAURANT,  
ABOUT 10-MINUTE WALK FROM HOTEL. COST IS S\$25 PER PERSON.  
EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE MAP TO ALL PARTICIPANTS SHOWING LOCATIONS  
OF ALL RESTAURANTS.

3. SEPTTEL WILL CONFIRM ALL HOTEL RESERVATIONS REQUESTED AND  
PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION TO PARTICIPANTS.

4. FOR HONG KONG: WOULD DAVIES OBJECT TO OPENING HIS  
SPEECH TO LOCAL PRESS?

5. FOR DEPARTMENT AND STEBBING: WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE  
PRESS TO TALK WITH HEGINBOTHAM AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING,  
PERHAPS BEFORE WRAP-UP DINNER. COMMENTS, PLEASE?

6. WE HAVE TENTATIVELY ARRANGED WITH DEFENSE ATTACHE'S  
OFFICE FOR HARBOR TOUR IN THEIR LAUNCH AT 1700 MARCH  
1. ONLY COST WOULD BE OVERTIME PAY FOR COXSWAIN. DAO  
PREFERS, HOWEVER, TO LIMIT PASSENGERS TO TEN. IS THIS  
AS FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE, OR SHOULD WE ARRANGE FOR  
COMMERCIAL TOUR?

7. IT APPEARS BUS/CAR RENTAL WILL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR  
ANY EVENTS. WE WILL MEET HEGINBOTHAM, STEBBING AND MORAN  
UPON ARRIVAL AT AIRPORT.

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